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## LUXEMBOURGISH EFSA FOCAL POINT NEWSLETTER

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### Calls

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See all EFSA open calls for [grant proposals](#), [calls for data](#) and [calls for tender](#).

### Public Consultations

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#### ***EFSA public consultation on "updated Guidance on the assessment of the efficacy of feed additives"***

EFSA's FEEDCO Unit has launched a public consultation on a draft updated **Guidance on the assessment of the efficacy of feed additives**. The deadline to submit comments has been extended until 9 February 2024.

- **Public consultation number:** PC-0735
- **Document:** the public consultation is accessible on [EFSA's website](#)
- **Deadline:** 9 February 2024

We kindly invite you to participate in the consultation and to share this information with your networks.

See all open public consultations [here](#).

# Events

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## **Webinar (FR) - Les zoonoses : décrypter les liens étroits entre la santé humaine et la santé animale | Jeudi 25 janvier 2024 à 19h00**

Les conférences « [L'invité\(e\) du jeudi](#) » - un partenariat Cnam Bretagne et l'AFAS - vous sont proposées chaque mois.

Animées par des experts passionnés de leur domaine d'intervention, elles traitent de sujets d'actualité mais en prenant le recul nécessaire.

### **Les zoonoses : décrypter les liens étroits entre la santé humaine et la santé animale**

Webconférence sur Teams de **Gilles Salvat**

Directeur général délégué « recherche et référence » à l'ANSES

**Jeudi 25 janvier 2024 à 19h00**

[S'inscrire](#)

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Covid-19, Gripes, maladies vectorielles... les évènements sanitaires récents nous ont fait redécouvrir la vulnérabilité de notre santé et de celles des animaux face aux maladies infectieuses en particulier zoonotiques. Quels sont les facteurs de l'émergence de nouvelles maladies et de leurs passages de l'homme à l'animal et de l'animal à l'homme ? quels sont les éléments de nos modes de vie qui favorisent ces émergences et leur diffusion au sein des populations ? Quels sont les facteurs intrinsèques aux agents pathogènes qui favorisent leur transgression de la barrière inter-espèces ? Autant de questions qui seront illustrées d'exemples passés et récents pour tenter d'apporter des éléments de réponse basées sur les connaissances scientifiques actuelles.

Gilles Salvat est directeur général délégué « recherche et référence » à l'ANSES. Docteur vétérinaire, docteur en microbiologie et inspecteur général de la santé publique vétérinaire, Gilles Salvat se consacre depuis plus de 30 ans à la sécurité sanitaire des aliments, à la santé et au bien-être des animaux.

## **Symposium Modern inspections with new technology | registration deadline 07.02.2024 (programme attached)**

The Netherlands Food and Consumer Product Safety Authority is organising the symposium Modern inspections with new technology (26 - 27 February, The Hague). Attached to this e-mail you can find the **draft program** for this symposium.

### **Registration**

It is possible to register for this symposium until **7 February 2024** via [this link](#) or until we reach maximum capacity.

### **Hotel booking**

We have made arrangements with two hotels, close to the symposium venue in The Hague (± 10 min walk):

- NH Hotel (Prinses Margrietplantsoen 100, The Hague): You can book your room [here](#).
- Eden Babylon Hotel (Bezuidenhoutseweg 53, The Hague): please contact [focal.point@alva.etat.lu](mailto:focal.point@alva.etat.lu)

Symposium e-mail: [symposium2024@nvwa.nl](mailto:symposium2024@nvwa.nl)

On behalf of Inspector-General (CEO) Gerard Bakker of the Netherlands Food and Consumer Product Safety Authority (NVWA, we kindly invite you to attend the symposium 'Modern inspection with new technology', on 26 – 27 February 2024 in The Hague, The Netherlands.

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## Publications

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### ***Nickel in foodstuffs available on the Luxembourgish market and dietary intake***

The Luxembourg Veterinary and Food Administration (ALVA) performed a study on the presence of nickel, a food contaminant of natural or man-made origin, in non-animal foods and drinks sold in Luxembourg. The aim of the study is to assess the population's exposure to nickel and to contribute to the possible establishment of official maximum levels in European legislation. Monitoring contaminants in food helps to identify sources of chronic and acute exposure to nickel, enabling better enforcement measures to be taken for contaminated products and enhancing consumer protection.

[Link to the publication](#)

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## EFSA recruitment

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See all open EFSA Professional opportunities [here](#).

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## Other

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### ***Testers needed for food enzyme exposure tool | deadline to express interest 18.02.2024***

For the **safety assessment of food enzyme** applications seeking authorisation in the EU, EFSA has been developing a tool to estimate the exposure to food enzymes when applied in one or more food manufacturing processes.

Food enzyme applicants will be the main users of the tool, which will enable them to calculate the dietary exposure to food enzymes autonomously, but it can also be used by other food business operators as well as risk managers and risk assessors.

The beta version of the calculator is now ready for testing, and EFSA is seeking for your feedback for the further development and finetuning of the tool.

The testing phase includes two engagement windows with interested stakeholders:

1) **Remote testing phase** 26 February - 18 March 2024

Users will be able to independently test the FEIM web tool at their own pace and provide feedback to EFSA on their user experience. EFSA will select stakeholders based on their expertise, affiliation, and area of competence. Once selected, EFSA will provide users with a tutorial video to explain how to input data and navigate the tool.

2) **In-person focus group session** 14 May 2024 in Brussels

EFSA will present the improvements made to the calculator based on feedback received. A hands-on training slot will also be organised on this occasion to advance the presentation of the calculator and collect further input for last tweaks to the tool. The venue and final time will be shared with selected registrants via email in due time.

**EFSA invites all interested parties to express their interest** in taking part as beta users in the testing phase, as well as in the in-person focus group, by filling in the form below. The **deadline** to express interest in participation during the two engagement windows is **18 February 2024**.

Learn more about the tool and the background of the initiative on [our website](#).

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